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NOTES

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THE University of New Brunswick in Canada is celebrating its centennial this year.

THE Sanitary Institute of London, Eng., holds examinations in Practical Hygiene for School Teachers.

THE American Institute of Instruction is to invade Canada this year to hold its annual meeting from July 7 to 12, at Halifax, N. S.

A VERY interesting and appreciative account of the life and work of Joseph Lancaster appears in the February number of the *Educational Record* of London, Eng.

THE *International Monthly* announces the early publication of an article which will interest our constituency, *The School and the Modern Home*, by Professor Paul H. Hanus, of Harvard.

PROFESSOR W. A. ADAMS, of Dartmouth College, has in press, to be issued soon by D. C. Heath & Co., publishers, Boston, Keller's *Romeo und Julia auf dem Dorfe*, which is regarded as one of the best of the distinguished writer's short stories.

THE March number of the *Child-Study Monthly* had a very suggestive article on "Common Diseases of Children," by Harriet Brockway. The editor dealt with some aberrations of school supervision in his characteristically incisive manner.

THE physical laboratory of the Lehigh University of South Bethlehem, Pa., which was recently destroyed by fire, is being rebuilt, and will be ready for occupancy, fully equipped in the departments of physics and electrical engineering, at the opening of the college year in September.

D. C. HEATH & Co., publishers, Boston, have in press for immediate issue Valdés's *José*, a Spanish novel of far more than ordinary interest, which has been edited, with introduction and notes for intermediate reading, by Professor F. J. A. Davidson, of the Leland Stanford Junior University.

THE Department of the Training College for Teachers in Secondary Schools in connection with Cambridge University, England, reports that in the past year it had five students in the Michaelmas Term, five in the Lent Term, and six in the Easter Term. Mr. S. S. F. Fletcher, of King's College, is the master.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S two addresses on the "Independence of the Executive" at Princeton, April 9 and 10, will be notable contributions to political literature. They will appear in authoritative form only in the June and July issues of the *Atlantic Monthly*, fully copyrighted by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

LORD BALFOUR'S Education Bill plainly points to the establishing of great technical colleges in populous centers and higher schools in sparsely inhabited rural districts. This bill, providing for the much-needed extension and encouragement of higher education, is meeting with decided approbation in educational circles.

THAT the short story has a place in literature Ginn & Company propose to prove by such a volume as *Contes et Saynètes* a collection of eighteen short stories from well-known French novelists. These are edited by Dr. Colin, of Bryn Mawr, with notes and vocabulary, and the volume of one hundred and sixty pages is published at seventy-five cents.

WE read much of art in education, but it is a relief to see art in the publications issuing from departments of public instruction. The Wisconsin *Arbor and Bard Day Annual* is the most artistic production that has reached us, and the contents are on an intellectual equality with the artistic cover. It reflects great credit upon Mr. L. D. Harvey, the state superintendent.

THE select and common councils of Philadelphia have passed resolutions directing the mayor and the city solicitor to prepare drafts of an act for the Pennsylvania legislature providing for the abolition of the board of education in the first school district of Pennsylvania and the creating of a department of education. Excessive demands upon the public purse is the reason given for this action.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY has agreed to give instruction during the summer of this year to a considerable number of teachers in the schools of Cuba. Although this instruction is to be given in Cambridge during the session of the Summer School the work is not to be done in that school, but under separate direction and by instructors especially chosen for that task. Memorial Hall will be opened for the use of the greater part of the Cuban teachers.

AN inspiring book for the thoughtful teacher who may be looking for suggestive material for moral lessons is *The Reward of Prince Cheerfulness* by Ruth Lewinson and published by W. R. Jenkins, New York. In this tale there is an attempt to portray by personification traits of character such as cheerfulness, temper, patience, etc., their cause and effect upon one another. It is beautifully bound and illustrated and is published at seventy-five cents.

THE Werner Book Company has included in its Great American series the educators of this land, and it is a well-merited tribute that Dr. Winship pays them in his very interesting book called *Great American Educators*. The history of the struggles of these noble men and women to advance the cause

of education in our country ought to prove inspiring reading to the children in our schools today who are enjoying such great privileges. It is published at fifty cents.

THE Teachers College is now a professional school of Columbia University on the same basis as the Law School. President Low is president *ex officio* of the college, but the actual government will remain in the hands of Dean Russell, who is so well known to our readers by his contributions to this journal. The dean has a seat in the university council, and when the faculty of the college increases to ten full professors there will be an additional representative.

STORIES of the Northmen have always had a great fascination for children, and the mythology of that land has a peculiar educational value. The American Book Company has taken advantage of this and has issued a book called *Old Norse Stories*, by Sarah Powers Bradish, in which these tales are retold in such an interesting and animated style that it will be a very useful addition to the supplementary reading in the schoolroom. There are 240 pages, and the price is forty-five cents.

SOME educational gatherings in May are: Western Drawing Teachers' Association at Grand Rapids, Mich., May 9-11, Caroline M. Neile, secretary; New England Association of School Superintendents at Boston, May 11, R. D. McKeen, Haverhill, Mass., secretary; New Jersey Association for the Study of Children and Youth at Newark, May 12, F. E. Spaulding, Passaic, N. J., secretary; Eastern Art Teachers' Association, Boston, May 24-29, Solon P. Davis, Hartford, Conn., secretary.

THE local general committee in charge of the preparations for the National Educational Association in Charleston, S. C., in July next, has appointed a special committee on exhibits of school work. The chairman requests all who may desire to make exhibits of student or pupil work to communicate with him by letter, stating the character of the exhibit they desire to make and the amount of wall, table, or floor space required. Address Mr. Asbury Coward, Chairman of Committee on School Exhibits, Charleston, S. C.

MR. FOSTER WATSON, Professor of the Theory and Practice of Education in the University College of Wales, is contributing a series of articles to the *School World* on "Pioneers in Education." Students of the history of education, especially of that part relating to England, are much in debt to Mr. Watson for his exceptionally strong interest in this phase of educational work, and these articles now appearing are characterized by the felicity of expression and aptness of illustration which appeal to the teacher-at-work who is looking for inspiration.

IN an article in the *Journal of Education* on "The Lot of the Assistant Master in English Secondary Schools," the author's last sentence is pathetic: